Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There are any number of requisitions from several other Panchayats as well and in many cases it has not been possible to conduct detailed inquiries.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is the Government satisfied with the necessity for these tanks ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The answer to (b) makes it quite clear.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezuthassan.—The Panchayat is a self-governing body intended to look after the affairs of the villages concerned and when they make representations for a course of ten years what is the difficulty for the Government to provide a small sum of Rs. 1,150 ? We are spending a lot of money.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The difficulty is certainly these works were not considered to be so urgent as those which have been inquired into and found more urgent.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Without inquiry into this, how did the Government know that this was not as urgent as the others ? It is said that there was no inquiry and that this was not taken up because were other works were more urgent than this.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—As I explained, Sir, just now, there are several other requisitions from other Panchayats. It is not possible for Government to look into each and every item. Every attempt is made to help the Panchayats. At the same time from reports and inquiries made, *prima facie* cases are made out that certain works are more urgent. In the comparative merits of such works detailed inquiries are made. These works do not come under 'most urgent' and therefore they were not provided.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can I take it that these works will be provided for in the next year's budget ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Provided the results of the inquiry are favourable.

Text Book Committee.

216. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what the constitution of the Text-Book Committee is at present;

(b) how long this constitution has been in existence ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) Messrs. T. P. Ananthanarayana Ayyar.

T. P. Verghese.
K. A. Doraswami Ayyar.
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Srimathi T. Kochukutti Puduvalassiar.
,, V. K. Droupathi Amma.
Mrs. K. M. George.

(b) From 19th June 1930. The period of year fixed from 19th June 1930 has expired and the new committee is in formation.

Pathway—near Kaiparamba.

217. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to say:—

(a) whether representations were made to Government to have a good road or path-way at least constructed connecting the school with the Kaiparamba and the Tholur Panchayat roads;

(b) whether any action has been taken upon the same;

(c) whether the said school has been either visited or inspected by any school authorities in 1104, 1105, or 1106?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) The question does not arise in view of the answer to (a).

(c) In the absence of any specific information to identify the school referred to, it is not possible to furnish the answer.

Students—Maharaja's College.

218. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of students in the Maharaja's College this year;

(2) the number of students who are (a) Cochinites (b) Non-Cochinites;

(3) the number of those who are permanent residents of (a) Ernakulam (b) Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk (c) Mukundapuram Taluk (d) Trichur Taluk (e) Talappalli Taluk (f) Cranganur Taluk and (g) Chittur Taluk?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) 557.

(2) (a) 443.
(b) 114.

(3) No such particulars have hitherto been asked to be furnished in the applications for admission and therefore the figures are not available at present.

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